

Integral calculus

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Definition 1. Let $f(x)$ be a function, and let $f'(x)$ be its derivative. The reverse process of differentiation is called *antidifferentiation* or *integration*. It gives us the original function, which is called the *antiderivative* or *integral* of $f(x)$.

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Theorem 1. Let c , n and k be constants. Then

a.

$$\int k \, dx = kx + c$$

b.

$$\int dx = x + c$$

c.

$$\int x^n \, dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + c, \quad n \neq -1$$

d.

$$\int x^{-1} \, dx = \ln x + c, \quad x > 0$$

e.

$$\int x^{-1} \, dx = \ln |x| + c, \quad 0 \neq x < 0$$

f.

$$\int e^{kx} \, dx = \frac{1}{k} e^{kx} + c$$

g.

$$\int k f(x) \, dx = k \int f(x) \, dx$$

h.

$$\int (f(x) \pm g(x)) \, dx = \int f(x) \, dx \pm \int g(x) \, dx$$

i.

$$\int -f(x) \, dx = - \int f(x) \, dx$$

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Definition 2. The approximation $\sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) \Delta x_i)$ of the area under a continuous curve A is called a *Riemann sum*. That area under the curve is

$$A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \Delta x_i$$

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Theorem 2. Let $F(x)$ be the integral of $f(x)$. We call the *fundamental theorem of calculus* the expression.

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = F(x)|_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$$

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Theorem 3.

a.

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = - \int_b^a f(x) \, dx$$

b.

$$\int_a^a f(x) \, dx = F(a) - F(a) = 0$$

c.

$$\int_a^c f(x) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx + \int_b^c f(x) \, dx, \quad a \leq b \leq c$$

d.

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx \pm \int_a^b g(x) \, dx = \int_a^b (f(x) \pm g(x)) \, dx$$

e.

$$\int_a^b k f(x) \, dx = k \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$$

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Property d of Theorem 3 is used to find the area between two curves.

Theorem 4. The process of *integration by parts* is

$$\int (f(x) \cdot g'(x)) \, dx = f(x) \cdot g(x) - \int (g(x) \cdot f'(x)) \, dx$$

Proof. From

$$\frac{d}{dx} (f(x) \cdot g(x)) = f(x) \cdot g'(x) + g(x) \cdot f'(x)$$

we have

$$f(x) \cdot g(x) = \int (f(x) \cdot g'(x)) \, dx + \int (g(x) \cdot f'(x)) \, dx$$

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